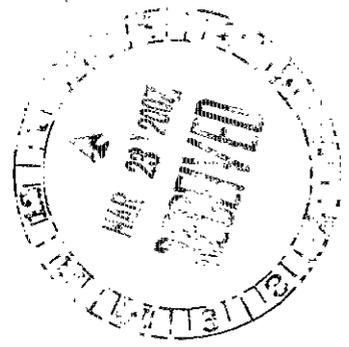


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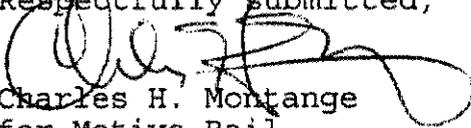
Opposition to intervention

Dear Mr. Secretary:

This letter is in response to the petition for leave to intervene dated March 20, 2007, by John Rupp, et al., in the above proceeding. The petitioners request intervention for the sole purpose of opposing a "Joint Motion of the City of Chillicothe ... and the Chillicothe-Brunswick Rail Maintenance Authority ..., filed on March 12, 2006, seeking entry of a Notice of Interim Trail Use...." Petition at p. 1.

No such motion was filed in this proceeding. Since no basis is shown for intervention, and since the relief requested by the proposed interveners has no relevancy to the proceeding, the request for leave to intervene must be denied. By my signature below, I certify service by facsimile transmission and USPS prepaid first class on petitioners' attorney, Fritz Kahn.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Charles H. Montange  
for Motive Rail

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